ODMS™
Odesta® Document Management Systems™

ODMS...
Because there had to be a better way.

ODMS Turns Group Work Into Teamwork
ODMS is a family of networked workflow and document management systems that will help you pull all the pieces together—fast! Taking full advantage of Digital Equipment Corporation's VAX™ systems and NAS architecture, ODMS integrates desktops and lets you assign work, track progress, manage priorities by user, by assignment, by due date—by any status criteria you wish.

ODMS gets people working together, so that you have a team to manage instead of fires to put out. ODMS provides for coordination, communication, and control—the key to getting things done right, and on time.

ODMS provides an engaging point and click interface to store retrieve, share, track, and work on any document—from the shortest paragraph to the largest scanned image—within whatever context you give it—a job, project, book, case, or proposal.

Electronic Workflow Management
ODMS means an electronic workflow system that never drops the ball. That reflects the way you want your organization to work today, and the way it will change tomorrow. Automatic routing, review and version control deliver the right work to the right person at the right time.

When the user clicks on a particular assignment, ODMS moves the work over the network to that user's desktop, and opens the application so that work can begin—without missing a beat. ODMS then waits in the background for the work to be finished. When it is, ODMS automatically moves the new or revised document from the desktop back to the server, uses it to create a new version, and flags the next person in the team that the work is ready to be reviewed, edited, flowed, or finished.

Revision Tracking and Version Control
ODMS means automatic revision tracking and version control. It means built-in assignment, approval and notification procedures. And it means an electronic "Work in Process" screen that instantly reflects the status of every element of every job for everyone on the network.

A Smart, Shared Document Database
ODMS means that you can stop playing "Hide and Seek" with your key business

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A family of workflow and document management systems for the way you want to work.

information. Scattered, disk-based files become data-based documents on a secure, shared server. User-defined keywords and comments can be used for searches, along with information ODMS automatically stores and tracks, like name, size, date created, date modified, pathname, user, creator, and type of each document. Without any programming on your part or typed commands on the part of your users, any document/file can be found and delivered to the desktop—in seconds.

Freedom of Choice
ODMS means application independence. You choose the right tools, and the right vendors, for the job. Then everybody works together, using the software that works best now, and in the future.

Flexibility
ODMS means that as your business changes, you can make changes to your system in hours instead of months. In fact, you can hand some of the responsibility for the users' system back to the users themselves. Show them how to customize menus in minutes, set application-level access controls and modify workflow with a few mouseclicks, and generate new screens without writing one line of code.

Workgroup Integration
ODMS means true workgroup integration, today. Just plug your

Macintosh® networks into your VAX™ system, and ODMS gives you a whole system that is much greater than the sum of its parts.

ODMS is a family of workflow and document management systems.
The first members of this family are:

ODMS for:
Ad Management
Correspondence Management
Image Management
Legal Case Management
Pagination Management
Procurement Management
Professional Office Management
Proposal Management
Publication Management
Technical Document Management

The Technology

- Networked, client-server
- DECnet and AppleTalk over Ethernet
- Data-based (relational), with BLOB (binary large object) field-types for document and image management
- Multi-platform support:
  Macintosh (now)
  VT terminal (now)
  DECwindows workstations and terminals, IBM PC/compatibles
  (program announced)
- Non-procedural, dataflow
- Object-oriented, graphical application customization environment
- Automatic transaction logging and backup
- Network administration from Macintosh or VMS DCL
- Per form, per user permissions and passwords
- Heuristic query optimization and caching for performance
- Referential and visual integrity
- Dynamic schema
- Support for Digital Equipment Corporation's CDA

The Company

Founded in 1982, Odesta Corporation develops and markets a broad range of innovative software for the way people work individually and in groups. Its products, designed from a human factors perspective, are the first to provide powerful, visual, object-oriented applications for information management and decision support. Odesta is recognized as a leader in developing breakthrough Macintosh applications and integrated VAX/Macintosh solutions.

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